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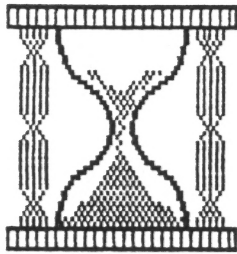
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OFFICERS MEETING FOR DECEMBER 1988, CIN'TARI, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY TOM WETTERER (PRESIDENT) WHILE WAITING ON THE TREASURER AND THE FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT.

THE EDITOR COULD NOT BE HERE BECAUSE OF WORK BUT WE DID GET THE BILLS FOR THE POSTAGE AND PRINTING, PLUS A REQUEST FOR THE OFFICERS TO APPROVE OF THE TRADING OF SOFTWARE AND THINGS FOR AD SPACE IN THE NEWSLETTER. THE OFFICERS DECIDED TO LET THE EDITOR TRADE WHATEVER TILL FUTURE NOTICE. DAVID ALSO ASKED FOR THE BBS TO GIVE A LARGER CREDIT FOR UPLOADS FOR THE NEWSLETTER, AND FOR THE OFFICERS TO WRITE AN ARTICLE EACH MONTH. IN REPLY TO HIS REQUEST TO CHARGE LONG DISTANCE PHONE CALLS FOR INFORMATION FOR THE NEWSLETTER, THE OFFICERS DID NOT WANT TO START THIS RIGHT NOW UNLESS AN URGENT NEED WAS FOUND.

WE WILL RAFFLE THE MODEM THIS MONTH AS ANNOUNCED LAST MONTH.

TOM CHECKED WITH THE IRS ON OUR TAX STATUS AT THE END OF THE YEAR.

TOM ANNOUNCED THAT HE WILL GET MARRIED DECEMBER 25TH AND THAT HE MIGHT NOT HAVE THE TIME NEXT YEAR THAT HE HAD THIS YEAR SO HE MIGHT NEED MORE HELP.

THE TREASURER DID SHOW IN TIME FOR THE PAYING OF THE BILLS. HE STARTED WITH \$662.47.

OUR SYSOP DID CLEAR UP THE DOWNLOAD AND UPLOAD TIME PLUS THE CREDITS FOR UPLOADS. THE BOARD IS REPORTED AS RUNNING FOR MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS.

WE NEED A BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR AND INSTEAD OF GOING ON WHAT EACHS NEEDS FOR NEXT YEAR, IT LOOKS LIKE WE WILL LOOK AT WHAT EACH SPENT LAST YEAR AND FIGURE FROM THERE.

NO MORE BUSINESS ---- MEETING ADJOURNED.

MEETING OF CIN'TARI, DECEMBER 10, 1988 RECORDED BY OMER SCHAROLD

TOM WETTERER, PRESIDENT, OPENED THE MEETING WITH A MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

AT THIS POINT THE NEW OFFICERS TOOK THEIR POSITIONS, AND TOM DID SWEAR THEM IN (NEW AND OLD).

TREASURER REPORT WAS THAT WE ARE DOWN TO \$392.00 AFTER PAYING THE BILLS TODAY. AND AFTER BUYING BLANK DISKS FOR THE LIBRARY AND OTHER THINGS WE WILL BE AT ABOUT \$200.00.

TOM INVITED ANYONE PASSING THRU LIMA ON CHRISTMAS TO ATTEND HIS WEDDING AT 5:30PM AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST.

THE SYSOP WILL CHECK MEMBERS WHEN IN DOUBT ABOUT WHO IS CALLING, AND WILL HAVE A LIST OF MEMBERS USING THE BOARD. IN CASE SOMEONE ELSE IS USING YOUR NAME, IT WILL BE EASIER TO FIND OUT.

WE NEED A LIBRARIAN FOR THE ST LIBRARY BUT NO ONE AT THE MEETING WAS INTERESTED IN HELPING.

THE LIBRARY WILL GIVE A BLANK DISK FOR ANY DISK TURNED IN TO THEM. ALSO THE WORD PROCESSING PROGRAM WE WERE TO BUY WAS PUT ON HOLD.

BASIC SIG -- ST SIG -- COMMUNICATION SIG -- 2ND WEDNESDAY AFTER THE MEETING AT LANIER WALKER'S: PLEASE CALL AHEAD.

ATARI HAS A POLICY OF UPGRADING NEW EQUIPMENT FOR OLD WITH A CASH DIFFERENCE. THE LIST WAS GONE OVER AND TOM WILL HAVE THE NUMBER.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD -- DOOR PRIZES -- AND RAFFLE FOLLOWED.

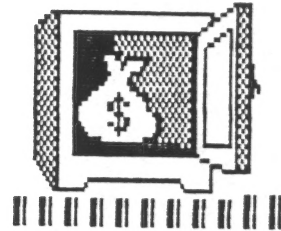
AUCTION WILL BE IN FEBRUARY WITH 10% GOING TO THE CLUB.

OUR CLUB MIGHT GET SOME FREE ADS ON SOME OF THESE OTHER SOURCES.

THE TAPE LIBRARY CAN STILL BE HAD BY TURNING IN YOUR REQUEST THIS MEETING AND THE TAPES WILL BE AT THE NEXT MEETING.

DAVE WILL BE ABLE TO PICK UP THE KEY BUT WILL BE UNABLE TO COME TO THE MEETING DUE TO A CAT SHOW IN DAYTON.

NO MORE BUSINESS, MEETING ADJOURNED.

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REPORT

WELL, WELL, WELL IT'S TIME FOR ANOTHER SESSION WITH MR. SYSOP.

SYSOP REPORT #1, 12/14/88 9:16PM

WELL, AS I WRITE THIS I MAY DOZE OFF SO PLEASE EXCUSE ANY SPELLING ERRORS! WE'VE GOT EVERYTHING UP AND RUNNING FOR THE MOMENT (HOPEFULLY IT WILL STAY THAT WAY!). I JUST GOT THE MODEM, A SUPRA 2400 FROM LYCO COMPUTER FOR \$118 DOLLARS, \$128.19 WITH SHIPPING AND HANDLING. IT'S A REALLY NICE MODEM AND IT'S 2400 BAUD!!!

THE BBS IS WORKING FLAWLESSLY! IT HASN'T CRASHED YET (UNLIKE ITS PREDECESSOR, WHEN IT WAS ON THE IBM). WE ARE UP TO 57 USERS, OF WHICH 21 ARE CURRENT CIN'TARI MEMBERS. THERE ARE ALSO TWO IBM USERS AND ONE COMMODORE USER (WHY?) (ED:NATHAN, SPIES ARE EVERYWHERE). FOR THE TIME BEING I AM USING MY ST COLOR MONITOR ON THE BBS WHENEVER I AM ON AND SWITCHING BACK BETWEEN MY ST AND THE BOARDS. UNTIL THE MONEY SITUATION IS BACK TO NORMAL IT WILL PROBABLY BE THIS WAY FOR AWHILE (UNLESS SOMEONE HAS A MONOCHROME ST MONITOR CHEAP OR WANTS TO LOAN IT TO THE BBS FOR A LITTLE WHILE).

I JUST FINISHED UPDATING EVERYONE. ALL CIN'TARI MEMBERS NOW HAVE 90 MINUTES OF ACCESS TIME AND A 10 TO 1 DOWNLOAD RATIO. ALL THE OTHER PEOPLE HAVE 45 MINUTES AND A 5 TO 1 RATIO. I WILL BE PUTTING UP A SURVEY SOON, SO IF YOU HAVE ANY TOPICS YOU WOULD LIKE ON THE SURVEY LEAVE A MESSAGE ON THE BBS.

NOW THAT CHRISTMAS IS HERE (WELL, WHEN YOU READ THIS IT WILL BE JANUARY). I HAVE A LITTLE LESS TIME, SO BE PATIENT UNTIL THINGS ARE BACK TO NORMAL. IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS LEAVE ME FEEDBACK! THAT'S THE ONLY WAY I WILL FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON! IF YOU DON'T LEAVE A MESSAGE, I CAN'T HELP YOU.

WELL THAT'S ALL FOR NOW. UNTIL REPORT #2. BYE. CLICK.

SYSOP (NATHAN BROWN)
CIN'TARI ONLINE 513-553-9733

THIS IS THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 1988. I OFFICIALLY TOOK OVER BETWEEN MEETINGS IN NOVEMBER, BUT HAVING REQUIRED CONSIDERABLE TIME TO MAKE THE TRANSITION, I BEGIN MY OFFICIAL REPORTS WITH DECEMBER. CIN'TARI BEGAN THE MONTH WITH A TOTAL OF \$656.34. THE FOLLOWING EXPENSES WERE INCURRED:

\$ 13.87 TO NATHAN BROWN FOR BBS MONTHLY PHONE LINE BILL.

\$ 87.51 TO TOM WETTERER FOR SX-212 MODEM RAFFLED OFF AT THE DECEMBER MEETING.

\$ 60.00 TO U.S. POSTAL SERVICE FOR BULKING MAILING FEE.

\$ 36.00 TO U.S. POSTAL SERVICE FOR P.O. BOX RENTAL.

\$ 25.00 TO DAVID WETTERER FOR POSTAGE OF MAILING THE NEWSLETTER.

\$ 60.80 TO PIP PRINTING FOR THE PRINTING OF THE NEWSLETTER.

\$128.00 TO NATHAN BROWN FOR THE COST OF A SUPRA 2400 BAUD MODEM FOR THE BBS.

CONVERSELY, THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF MONIES RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER FROM VARIOUS SOURCES:

\$240.00 FROM ANNUAL DUES FROM 12 MEMBERS.

\$ 85.00 FROM SX-212 MODEM RAFFLE.

\$ 11.00 FROM MISC. AND DISK SALES.

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| INCOME: | +336.00 |

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THIS REPORT RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY MARTY HAMMERSMITH, TREASURER; CIN'TARI ATARI USERS GROUP:
JAN. 1, 1989

RE-INKING CARTRIDGE RIBBONS

BY: TED SOWMA

AFTER FREDA'S DISCOVERY THAT HER RED AND GREEN PANASONIC RIBBONS WERE SO LIGHT THAT THE PRINT WAS ALMOST UNREADABLE, I GRIMLY PONDERED THE THOUGHT OF REPLACING THEM AT \$11.95 PER CARTRIDGE RIBBON.

I DECIDED TO SEND FORM LETTERS TO SEVERAL RE-INKING COMPANIES ASKING THEIR ADVICE. ALTHOUGH EACH SENT ME BROCHURES ON EVERYTHING THEY SOLD, ONLY ONE TRIED TO SOLVE MY INDIVIDUAL PROBLEM. SO, THAT'S THE ONE I CALLED: GENE BEALS AT V-TECH. HE TOLD ME THAT PANASONIC CARTRIDGES BASICALLY RE-INK THEMSELVES, AND ADVISED THAT I WOULD PROBABLY NOT NEED TO BUY A RE-INKING MACHINE. INSIDE THE CARTRIDGE IS A SMALL FOAM WHEEL (INK SOAKED). THE RIBBON IS A WOVEN FABRIC LOOP THAT PASSES OVER A PLASTIC SPOOL THAT GATHERS INK FROM THE FOAM WHEEL AND APPLIES IT TO THE RIBBON. GENE EXPLAINED THAT SINCE MOST OF THE CARTRIDGE PARTS LASTED A LONG TIME I WOULD SAVE MONEY BY APPLYING INK TO THE FOAM WHEEL AND OCCASIONALLY REPLACING THE RIBBON (CALLED A RELOAD). THIS SEEMED A VIABLE ALTERNATIVE SINCE WOVEN RELOADS COST \$2.40 AND 4 OUNCES OF BLACK INK WAS \$3.95. HE ALSO EXPLAINED THAT HE SOLD WOVEN RELOADS BECAUSE THEY LASTED LONGER THAN RIBBONS THAT WERE BONDED, AND THAT ON A BONDED RIBBON THE SEAM WAS THE FIRST PART TO FRAY. BESIDES STANDARD PRINTER INK HE ALSO SELLS RIBBON RE-NEW, WHICH IS AN INK WITH MORE SOLVENT IN IT, FOR SITUATIONS WHERE THE RIBBON IS USED INFREQUENTLY AND DRIES OUT.

I ORDERED SEVERAL ITEMS, INCLUDING RELOADS AND INK IN SEVERAL COLORS. ALTHOUGH ADS SAY THAT RE-INKING RIBBONS WILL ALLOW TEN TIMES THE AMOUNT OF CHARACTERS TO BE PRINTED, I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE (THE RIBBON WOULD WEAR OUT BY THEN, ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER PARTS). HOWEVER, EVEN IF A 2 OUNCE BOTTLE OF INK DOUBLED THE LIFE OF THE CARTRIDGE IT WOULD BE A SUBSTANTIAL SAVINGS. THE INCREASE IN QUALITY IS ALSO A NICE PLUS. WHEN THE PRINT GETS TOO LIGHT, A FEW DROPS OF INK WILL BRING IT BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL CONDITION. V-TECH, INC. CAN BE REACHED AT 2223 REBBECA, HATFIELD, PA 19440 OR BY PHONE AT (215)-822-2989. ORDERS CAN BE PLACED OVER THE PHONE AND PAID WITH A CREDIT CARD.

HIPPO-DIGITIZER UPDATE

BY: TED SOWMA

THOSE OF US WHO OWN THE OLD HIPPO DIGITIZER WILL BE HAPPY TO LEARN THAT NAVARONE INDUSTRIES SELLS A SOFTWARE UPGRADE KIT FOR US. YOU CAN PURCHASE THE NEW SOFTWARE & MANUAL FOR \$20.00 PLUS \$2.50 SHIPPING AND HANDLING.

THE NEW SOFTWARE TAKES ADVANTAGE OF GEM AND THE MOUSE. IT ALLOWS THE USE OF LOW OR HIGH RESOLUTION, PRINTING OF CAPTURED PICTURES, AND WILL TAKE A SERIES OF PICTURES AT SPECIFIED TIME INTERVALS.

THE BAD NEWS IS THAT THE QUALITY OF DIGITIZED PICTURES HAS NOT BEEN IMPROVED BY MUCH. EVEN THE IMPROVED MODEL NAVARONE SELLS STILL HAS THE OLD HIPPO LOOK. HOWEVER, AT \$22.50 FOR HIPPO DIGITIZER OWNERS AND APPROXIMATELY \$69.00 FOR THE NAVARONE DIGITIZER (& SOFTWARE) THERE'S ALOT OF BANG FOR THE BUCK. UPGRADES CAN BE ORDERED FROM NAVARONE INDUSTRIES, 454 KENNETH AVE., CAMPBELL, CA 95008.



HEY, HERE WE ARE AGAIN!! THE THEME OF THIS MONTHS' ISSUE IS...WELL, THERE IS NO THEME. IT SEEMS THAT THERE ARE SEVERAL DIFFERENT ARTICLES THAT WERE SUBMITTED AND BEING THE KIND SOUL I AM, I DECIDED TO PUBLISH THEM ALL.

I CHANGED THE PRINT TO ALL CAPITAL LETTERS IN HOPES THAT IT WILL LOOK BETTER AFTER THE PRINTER GETS DONE WITH IT. ALSO WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE LENGTH OF THE ISSUE AS THE COST TO PRINT EVERYTHING IS GETTING OUT OF HAND. LAST MONTHS' ISSUE COST \$60.00 TO PRINT AND ANOTHER \$25.00 FOR POSTAGE.

A SPECIAL THANKS GO OUT TO THOSE DEVOTED INDIVIDUALS WHO UPLOADED ARTICLES FOR THIS ISSUE. I AM CONFIDENT THAT MORE PEOPLE WILL BE CONTRIBUTING TO THE NEWSLETTER IN THE FUTURE.

THAT'S ALL FOR NOW, SEE YOU AT THE MEETING.....

WHOLLY MACRO

BY: TED SOMMA

WHOLLY MACRO IS PROBABLY THIS YEARS SOFTWARE SLEEPER. I COULDN'T FIND A REVIEW OF IT OTHER THAN A SHORT MENTION IN THE ST INFORMER. I HAVE HAD THE PAPERCLIP XE BLUES SINCE I "UPGRADED" TO THE ST SEVERAL YEARS AGO, AND I HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR THE MACRO POWER LOST EVER SINCE.

WELL, I GOT IT BACK, IN SPADES. WHOLLY MACRO SITS RIGHT NEXT TO THUNDER ON MY DESK, AS ONE OF MY MOST FREQUENTLY USED SOFTWARE TOOLS.

WHOLLY MACRO IS A DESK ACCESSORY FROM SEDROC SOFTWARE. IT COMES WITH A SET UP PROGRAM THAT ALLOWS YOU TO SET UP A HOT KEY, THE BUFFER SIZE AND THE MACRO FILE PATH. IT HAS WORKED WITH EVERYTHING I HAVE TRIED TO USE IT WITH FROM ST WRITER (V2.3), WORD WRITER (V2), SWIFTCALC (V1.1), AND DATAMANAGER. IT IS GEM/MOUSE DRIVEN SO THAT YOU CAN USE ANY KEY COMBINATION THAT THE ST OPERATING SYSTEM OR THE PROGRAM YOU ARE USING WILL ALLOW (APPROX 1200 KEY COMBINATIONS). THE BUFFER SYSTEM ALLOWS YOU TO LOAD, SAVE OR ABANDON MACRO FILES. WORD WRITER MODE CAN BE SWITCHED ON OR OFF DEPENDING ON WHAT WORKS BEST WITH THE PROGRAM YOU ARE USING. THERE IS A STATUS BOX WHICH WILL TELL YOU THE BUFFER SIZE YOU ARE USING, HOW MUCH IS BEING USED AND THE NUMBER OF MACROS IN THE FILE. MACROS MAY BE CREATED IN EITHER THE WHOLLY MACRO BOX OR MAY BE CAPTURED WHILE YOU ARE TYPING IN THE MAIN PROGRAM YOU ARE USING. MACROS CAN BE EDITED, LISTED OR DELETED FROM THE THE WHOLLY MACRO BOX. MACROS MAY BE CHAINED TO OTHER MACROS OR YOU CAN CREAT LOOPING MACROS THAT WILL CONTINUE TO REPEAT UNTIL YOU HIT THE HOT KEY.

I DO (AS ALWAYS) HAVE A FEW SUGGESTIONS FOR ITS AUTHOR: THE MANUAL IS ALITTLE SKIMPY IN SOME PLACES, IT NEEDS TO HAVE A LISTING OF ILLEGAL KEYS (USED BY THE ST OPERATING SYSTEM), AND A PAUSE CONTROL WOULD HELP WITH SOME OF THE SLOWER REACTING GEM PROGRAMS. IT UNDERLINES THE FIRST FEW CHARACTERS IN EVERY LINE ON THE SCREEN WHEN USED WITH ST WRITER V2.3 (WHICH LOOKS WEIRD SINCE ST WRITER IS NOT WYSWYG WORD PROCESSOR) ALTHOUGH, THIS DOESN'T SEEM TO AFFECT ANYTHING. THERE IS ONE CONTINUING PROBLEM (WHICH HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHOLLY MACRO), SELECTING THE RIGHT MACRO KEY COMBINATION. I DISCOVERED SOME PROGRAMS HAVE RESERVED OR PROTECTED CERTAIN KEY COMBINATIONS, BUT HAVE NOT MENTIONED THEM IN THE MANUAL, SO YOU CAN GET STRANGE RESULTS WHEN USING A MACRO.

WHOLLY MACRO OFFERS QUITE A FEW FEATURES FOR ITS \$39.00 PRICE TAG, AND HAS NO COMPETITION FOR POWER VS. PRICE IN ST SOFTWARE. IT IS A MUST IF YOU SPEND A LOT OF TIME USING THE KEYBOARD. SEDROC SOFTWARE, 3815 GREENGRASS, ST. LOUIS, MO 63033-6636, PHONE (314)-921-9048.

PUBLIC DOMAIN BBS: A STATE OF AFFAIRS

BY: MARTY HAMMERSMITH

HERE IN THE CINCINNATI AREA WE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE AN ABUNDANCE OF GOOD BULLETIN BOARD SYSTEMS. SEVERAL OF THESE SPECIALIZE IN ATARI 8-BIT AND/OR THE ATARI ST COMPUTERS. I WRITE THIS ARTICLE BECAUSE I WANT TO MAKE MORE PEOPLE AWARE OF A GREAT RESOURCE THAT FEW TAKE ADVANTAGE OF. THE ATARI BBS'S IN THIS TOWN ARE A GREAT WAY TO MEET NEW FRIENDS AND GAIN VALUABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR COMPUTER, NOT TO MENTION A GOOD PLACE TO TRADE SOFTWARE AND PICK UP SOME TIPS ON HOW TO GET MORE FROM YOUR SYSTEM.

THERE ARE THREE BOARDS THAT QUICKLY COME TO MIND:

1) CIN'TARI BBS RUN BY NATHAN BROWN ON BEHALF OF THE CIN'TARI USERS GROUP. THIS IS A 20 MEG SYSTEM RUN ON A 520 ST. THIS SYSTEM IS AVAILABLE 24HRS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK AND SUPPORTS 300 TO 2400 BAUD RATES. THIS BBS SUPPORTS BOTH THE ATARI 8-BIT AND THE ST BUT THE SUPPORT TO DATE IS HEAVY ON THE ST. ALTHOUGH SADDLED WITH SOMEWHAT OF A TAINTED PAST AND A SLOW RESTART, THIS BOARD HAS GREAT POTENTIAL AND CAN BE A VALUABLE TOOL FOR ATTRACTING NEW MEMBERS TO THE USER GROUP. PHONE NUMBER: 553-9733.

2) COUNTY JAIL BBS RUN BY YOURS TRUELY. THIS SYSTEM IS A MEMOUTH 80 MEG PUBLIC DOMAIN ATARI 8-BIT AND ST BBS. PRESENTLY SUPPORTING 300 TO 2400 BAUD RATES AND IS ONLINE 24HRS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK. IT IS THE LARGEST ATARI BOARD IN CINCINNATI. PHONE NUMBER: 481-4622.

3) DISCOVERY BBS RUN BY TIM DONNELLY. THIS IS A 20 MEG, 8-BIT SYSTEM SUPPORTING THE ATARI 8-BIT. THE DISCOVERY BBS IS ONLINE 24HRS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK AND SUPPORTS BAUD RATES FROM 300 TO 2400. A YOUNG BOARD BUT GROWING EVERY DAY. PHONE NUMBER: 761-2531.

ALL THREE OF THESE BOARDS ARE DESERVING OF YOUR SUPPORT AND AS A SYSOP (SYSTEM OPERATOR) MYSELF, I CAN TELL YOU THAT THESE SYSTEMS ARE NOT BEING UTILIZED TO THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. SO IF YOU ARE ONE WHO IS THINKING THAT ATARI IS DEAD, YOU DON'T NEED A NEW COMPUTER. YOU JUST NEED A NEW TOOL!!! THE BBS'S!! GIVE US A CALL. WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU.

BY: ANDRE WILLEY, START EUROPEAN EDITOR
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THE POCKET PC

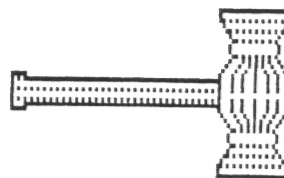
PERHAPS THE MOST SURPRISING ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE ATARI U.K. AT THIS WRITING IS THE PROTOTYPE FOR THE POCKET PC, THE WORLDS FIRST POCKET-SIZED IBM PC CLONE, DESIGNED IN THE U.K. BY THE GUILDFORD BASED DISTRIBUTED INFORMATION PROCESSING (DIP). THIS PRODUCT IS BASED ON A SERIES OF CUSTOM-BUILT LOW-POWER CHIPS A VARIATION OF THE "SMART CARD" SYSTEM--USED INSTEAD OF CONVENTIONAL DISK DRIVES. DIP ALREADY HAS A PRETTY GOOD TRACK RECORD FOR SUCH DESIGNS--THEIR MANAGING DIRECTOR, DAVID FRODSHAM, AND THEIR DEVELOPING DIRECTOR, PETER BALDWIN, HAVE BOTH HELD SENIOR POSITIONS AT PSION, THE COMPANY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE POPULAR ORGANIZER AND ORGANIZER II SYSTEMS.

THE POCKET PC IS ROUGHLY THE SAME SIZE OF THE ORGANIZER II AND UNFOLDS TO REVEAL A FULL PUSH BUTTON QWERTY KEYBOARD, MINUS NUMERIC KEYPAD OR FUNCTION KEYS. THE SUPER TWIST LCD DISPLAY OCCUPIES THE UPPER HALF OF THE UNIT AND GIVES EIGHT LINES OF FORTY CHARACTERS EACH, PLUS A SIMPLIFIED GRAPHICS CAPABILITY. THE POCKET PC WILL USE A 5MHZ 8088 PROCESSOR WITH 128K OF CMOS RAM, EXPANDABLE TO 256K IN 32K STEPS. THIS ADVANCE CMOS TECHNOLOGY HAS MADE THE POCKET PC SO POWER EFFICIENT THAT IT RUNS ON JUST TWO AA BATTERIES OR A SEPERATE POWER AC ADAPTER. ATARI HAS PLANNED THE OFFICIAL UNVIELING OF THE POCKET PC FOR THE NOVEMBER COMDEX SHOW.

TARGETED AT A RELEASE PRICE OF 200 POUNDS IN THE U.K. (APPROXIMATELY \$336 U.S. AT CURRENT EXCHANGE RATES), THE POCKET PC WILL INCLUDE AN INTEGRATED FIVE-IN-ONE SOFTWARE PACKAGE CONSISTING OF A WORDPROCESSOR, SPREADSHEET, DIARY/TIME PLANNER, ADDRESS BOOK AND CALCULATOR--ALL LINKED BY A UNIVERSAL CLIPBOARD SYSTEM THAT LETS YOU PASS NOTES AND DATA AMONG APPLICATIONS FREELY.

ALL THIS SOFTWARE IS PART OF THE 256K ROM USING LITTLE RAM LEAVING MOST OF YOUR 128K RAM FREE AS WORK SPACE. THE SPREADSHEET IS LOTUS 1-2-3 COMPATIBLE AND THE WORDPROCESSOR LETS YOU EXPORT TEXT TO OTHER SYSTEMS IN ONE OF TWO WAYS; FIRST YOU'LL BE ABLE TO BUY A SMART CARD READER FOR FULL SIZE IBMS WHICH CAN READ AND WRITE TO MEMORY CHIPS IN HOUSE IN THESE CREDIT CARD SIZE PACKAGES. ALTHOUGH THE CARDS WORK ON PRULY ELECTRONIC STORAGE METHOD, THE PC WILL BE FOOLED INTO DEALING WITH THEM JUST LIKE ANY OTHER EXTERNAL MEDIA.

ALTERNATLY, A SPECIAL CABLE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO LINE THE POCKET PC TO THE PARALLEL PORT OF OTHER FULL SIZED MACHINES FOR FULLY BIDIRECTIONAL DATA TRANSFER. ONCE YOU HAVE TRANSFERRED THE INFORMATION YOU CAN STORE IT ON DISK.



CIN'TARI AUCTION!!!!!!

HAVE SOME OLD ATARI EQUIPMENT GATHERING DUST ON YOUR CLOSET SHELF? NEED A NEW PRINTER OR DISK DRIVE BUT DON'T WANT TO PAY THE HIGH PRICE? WELL HAVE NO FEAR!! CIN'TARI IS GOING TO HOLD ONE OF ITS FAMOUS AUCTIONS IN FEBRUARY.

FOR A SMALL FEE (10%) YOU CAN SELL ANY COMPUTER RELATED EQUIPMENT. YOU MUST ALSO BE A MEMBER TO SELL ITEMS.

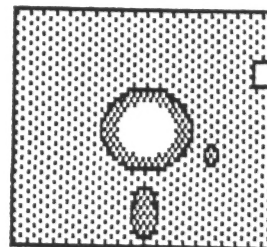
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JAN. 01, 1989: NEW YEARS DAY
JAN. 02, 1989: NEW YEARS HOLIDAY
JAN. 16, 1989: M.L. KING HOLIDAY

IMPORTANT DATES FOR FEBRUARY:

FEB. 07, 1989: SHROVE TUESDAY
FEB. 12, 1989: LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY
FEB. 14, 1989: ST. VALENTINE'S DAY
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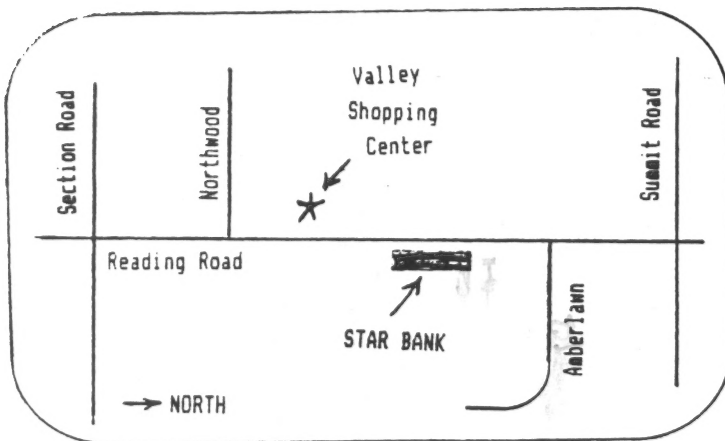
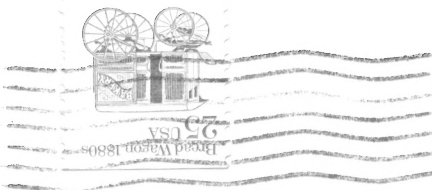
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